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(54) ID CARD

(57) Abstract:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To simply and quickly perform the genuine/false judgement and a checking of an ID card by detecting an invisible mechanically readable code which is provided on the ID card by an optical reader in such a manner that the unlawful user may not notice it at the time of a usage of the ID card even when the ID card is unlawfully altered or counterfeited.

SOLUTION: For this ID card 1, on a card base material 7, a sublimation dye layer 8 having a character information display region 5 or an image information display region 4, is provided by a sublimation transfer means, and on the sublimation dye layer 8 or under the subli-

mation dye layer 8 of at least one part of the character, image display regions 4, 5, a data recording region 13 by a mechanically readable code 2, for which an invisible infrared ray absorbing ink is used, is formed. By this method, by a person who alters or counterfeits the ID card, the existence of the data recording region 13 cannot be recognized, and an altered or counterfeited card can be easily checked by a mechanical reader.

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